

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 483

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LCO No. 4000



Referred to Committee on FINANCE, REVENUE AND **BONDING**

Introduced by: (FIN)

AN ACT CONCERNING ADVANCE NOTIFICATION PROVIDED TO UTILITY COMPANIES OF IMPENDING ROAD PROJECTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) The Commissioner of 1
- 2 Transportation and the chief executive officer of each municipality shall
- 3 submit to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, not later
- than December 1, 2022, a letter stating (1) whether the Department of 4
- 5 Transportation or the municipality, as applicable, provides advance
- 6 notification to gas, water or other utility companies of any impending
- 7 project involving the paving, repaving or grading of a street or road that
- 8 includes any gas, water or other utility infrastructure, including
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maintenance hole covers, sewer grates and utility service grates, that

- 10 could impede the safe operation of vehicles, and (2) whether the
- 11 department or municipality, as applicable, performs a final inspection
- 12 and approval of such project. For each affirmative answer, the
- 13 department or municipality, as applicable, shall include a description of
- 14 the process to provide such advance notification or the procedures for

15 such final inspection and approval, or both, as applicable.

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- (b) Each gas, water or other utility company whose infrastructure, including maintenance hole covers, sewer grates and utility service grates, is situated so that it has the potential to be impacted by the paving, repaving or grading of a street or road shall submit to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, not later than December 1, 2022, a description of such company's experiences with respect to receiving advance notification of a project described in subsection (a) of this section from the Department of Transportation and from each municipality whose project may impact such company's infrastructure.
- (c) Not later than January 1, 2023, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation, finance, revenue and bonding and appropriations. Such report shall include (1) a summary of the processes described under subsection (a) of this section to provide advance notification to gas, water or other utility companies, (2) a summary of the final inspection and approval procedures described under subsection (a) of this section, (3) a comparison of the descriptions provided by any such company under subsection (b) of this section and the municipalities' descriptions of advance notification processes, and (4) any other information deemed relevant by the secretary.

This act sha	This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:	
Section 1	from passage	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require certain information to be provided to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management regarding advance notification provided to utility companies of impending road projects and the final inspection and approval procedures for such projects.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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